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TRACTION LINES ACROSS THE RIVER

To Be Projected Through Metropolis and Brookport

Eastern Capitalists Are Investigating Situation and May Conclude This Week.

TO TAP THE MINING DISTRICT.

Indications point to an interurban traction line for southern Illinois, and a delegation of capitalists are now in the field investigating the situation. The line is projected between Metropolis and Brookport, Golconda, Harrisburg and intermediate points, with the purpose of eventually reaching Belleville and East St. Louis.

It is said that a promoter has raised a large subscription in the towns on the line, and has secured rights of way over a greater part of the route.

The route proposed will tap the river towns, a good farming section and the mining districts of southern Illinois, and it is said to be the purpose of the promoter to engage in freight as well as passenger hauling.

The investigation probably will be concluded this week or early next week, when it will be known what sort of a report the capitalists, who represent interests in New York, will carry back with them.

PERILOUS POSITION.

Held by Engineer on Switch Engine in I. C. Yards.

A. W. Shepherd, engineer on switch engine No. 85, in the Illinois Central yards, is able to be out today for the first time since Monday, December 24. He had a narrow escape from death. His engine left the tracks and turned over while mounting the coal chute with four loaded coal cars. He was pinned under the engine and did not get out until assisted after the big machine stopped. The coal cars were stopped by the automatic brakes which saved them from coming back on the engine. Engineer Shepherd's back was sprained.

PUTS BEES BEFORE DAUGHTER

A. I. Root Keeps Away From Wedding to Pursue His Experiments.

Medina, O., Dec. 28.—Because of absorbing experiments he is making with bees A. I. Root, known as the "bee king," did not leave Florida to attend the wedding today of his daughter, Miss Carrie Belle Root, and Llewellyn Boyden of New York. The wedding came at a time when Mr. Root was in the midst of an important experiment with queen bees and he could not leave.

EXILED AS REBEL, SHOOTSELF

Son of Wealthy Mexican, Driven From Country, Attempts Suicide.

Detroit, Dec. 28.—Felipe Juarez, aged 25, said to be the son of wealthy parents in Durango, Mexico, and to have been expelled from that country for connection with a revolutionary movement, attempted to commit suicide here this afternoon, firing three bullets into his chest. He is in a serious condition at a hospital with fair chances of recovery.

HEROIC FOREMAN

Sacrificed Life to See All Workmen Out.

New York, Dec. 28.—Workmen are trying to save the body of Thos. Brown, a foreman, who was killed in the tunnel from Manhattan to Long Island City, buried 300 feet from shore in a rush of water and quicksand. He could have saved himself but waited to see all the workmen out.

WHISKY MANUFACTURE.

Secretary Wilson to Learn of It at First Hand.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture and George F. McCabe of the law office department, will go to Baltimore tomorrow to visit some of the distilleries there with a view of ascertaining at first hand the methods of distillers in the manufacture of whisky.

BANK SUES REHKOPF ON EIGHT NOTES IT SAYS HE ENDORSED

This afternoon a suit was filed by Attorneys Bradshaw & Bradshaw, J. C. Flournoy and W. D. Greer for the American-German National bank against E. Rehkopf for a total of \$14,266.62, alleged to be due on notes he endorsed for the E. Rehkopf Saddlery company and for B. M. Philley, as follows:

The saddlery company notes are for \$500, \$600, \$500, \$616.62, \$2,400 and \$250. The Philley notes for \$2,000 and \$2,000.

Each of the notes show the personal endorsement of E. Rehkopf, the petition declares.

START TO WORK

COMMITTEES SOLICITING FUNDS FOR GLASS PLANT.

Met This Morning at Commercial Club Rooms and Began an Active Canvass.

Every committee named by the Commercial club to canvass for funds for the proposed glass plant was represented at the meeting this morning by at least two members. More money was subscribed at this meeting and the committeemen were all apparently enthusiastic over the prospect.

Col. A. J. Decker presided over the meeting. He is thoroughly conversant with the proposition and explained the whole matter in detail to the committeemen.

BIG TREE

WILL BE EXPOSED TONIGHT AT RESCUE MISSION.

Fully Six Hundred Are Expected to Be Present and Receive Gifts Generously Donated.

The biggest Christmas tree ever had in Paducah will contain toys, and food and clothing for the poor at Union Rescue Mission tonight. The tree is exposed at 7:30 o'clock, and it is the hope of the Rev. and Mrs. R. W. Chiles that everyone who goes will receive something. Last year 500 were present, and this year it is predicted that fully 600 will be in attendance.

This big Christmas tree feature was originated by The Sun, which finally was forced to turn the affair over to the active management of the mission as it grew so popular as to become unwieldy except in connection with an institution of that kind. But The Sun has always fostered it and taken up a collection for the tree through the columns of the paper. Merchants have responded most liberally to appeals and the gifts will be worthy of the effort.

HOLIDAY CRIME RECORD.

Three Murders, Three Deaths by Accident and a Suicide.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 28.—Today's dispatches of holiday tragedies in and near Georgia contained the news of three murders, three deaths by accident, one suicide and a jail delivery.

Forgery Indictments.

New York, Dec. 28.—Two indictments are expected today, following the investigation of the New York Life. The indictments are for forgery in the third degree, based on alleged false entries covering stock transactions.

Penned Wife Up and Shot Her. Boston, Dec. 28.—H is wife refused to live with Frederick Clark, so he penned her in a closet and shot her. Then ended his life. She will recover.

There is only one kind of a newspaper circulation statement that is worth any consideration and that is the daily detailed statement. The Sun is the only Paducah paper printing such a statement.

DEATH WINS RACE; WOUNDED MAN DIES

John Wurth Expires While Hurrying To Paducah

Accidentally Shot His Right Shoulder and Arm Away While Hunting.

HOME WAS BEYOND LONE OAK.

With his right shoulder and arm torn to shreds by the discharge of a shotgun, John Wurth, a farmer, lost a 10-mile race against death yesterday afternoon and died in Guy Nance & Son's ambulance, while being hurried to Riverside hospital. His body was taken to the undertaking parlors of Nance & Son.

John Wurth and his brother, Nortsey Wurth went hunting yesterday morning. Before climbing a fence a half mile from their home beyond Lone Oak, John Wurth stood his gun against the fence. On gaining the other side he grasped the barrel and started to pull the weapon through.

There was a sudden explosion and the unfortunate man fell in a heap. His brother ran to his assistance and found his entire right shoulder and arm blown into shreds. He tried to carry John Wurth home, but the burden was too great. Running home he secured his horse and buggy and brought the wounded man to the house.

Dr. C. L. Shelton of Lone Oak, saw the wounds were serious and called for the ambulance. It started shortly before dusk and was driven back as rapidly as possible, but the patient gradually sank and just as Wallace park was passed, he died.

John Wurth was 45 years old and a substantial farmer. He is survived by his wife and five children. The body of Wurth was prepared for burial this morning and taken back to his home. The funeral hour has not been determined, but will be sometime tomorrow morning.

Coroner Frank Eaker was notified this morning of the accident and will make an investigation.

SUPLANTS TIMID LIFE-SAVER

Surfman Replaces Captain Who Refused to Attempt Rescue.

Muskegon, Mich., Dec. 28.—Robert McKenzie, a surfman of the Muskegon life-saving station, has been promoted to take charge temporarily of the life-saving station at Holland, Mich. Captain Pool, at Holland, and one of his men were dismissed recently following an investigation of the death of four men, who perished in the pier extension work there in a storm. The Holland life-savers were called upon to go to the relief of the imperiled men, but decided that a rescue was impossible.

Wife as Security.

Omaha, Neb., Dec. 28.—James Bean, a railroad man, startled officers of the Omaha Loan and Mortgage company today by offering to leave his wife with the company for three days' security for a loan he was trying to negotiate. Mrs. Bean accompanied her husband to the offices of the company, and expressed her willingness to be turned over as security for the loan.

Two May Be Indicted.

New York, Dec. 28.—It was learned late last night that two men prominently connected with the New York Life Insurance company during the reign of John A. McCall as president have been indicted as the result of the probing going on by the grand jury, which finished its work today.

Fine Turkey Weather.

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 28.—President Roosevelt and his sons were astir early at Pine Knot. It is ideal weather for turkey shooting. Mrs. Roosevelt and the women members of the party are riding horseback. President keeping open house for the country people.

Life Savers Rescue 130.

Red Car, Wales, Dec. 28.—A lifeboat saved the passengers of the Japanese steamer Awa, which came ashore during a snow storm. One hundred and thirty people were saved.

PRESIDENT CASSETT DIES.

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—President Cassatt, of the Pennsylvania railroad, died suddenly this afternoon.

DEFENDS BROTHER IN POLICE COURT

T. C. Smith Succeeds in One Case But Fails in Other

Carrying Concealed a Deadly Weapon Earns for Him Jail Sentence and Fine.

"BEARSKIN" JACKSON WAIVES

T. C. Smith, grocer and saloon keeper, at Finley and Sixth streets, turned lawyer this morning and defended his brother successfully in a malicious assault and breach of peace case, but failed in a case for carrying concealed a deadly weapon.

On Monday, December 24, Charles Smith, a brother of the proprietor, was left in charge of the saloon. James Jones got boisterous and after insisting on Smith's fighting him was accommodated. Smith used his teeth on Jones' nose with effect. Jones grew angry after he thought about it and went back for more. Smith drawing a small pocket knife but being held to prevent its use.

Jones was fined \$20 and "trimmings" for breach of peace and Smith was dismissed. Smith was also dismissed on the charge of malicious assault.

When the warrant, charging Smith carrying concealed a deadly weapon, was called the stumbling block for his "attorney" was met.

"Thirty dollars and costs and ten days in jail against Smith," was the judgment of the court.

"Bearskin" Jackson Waives.

"Bearskin" Jackson, colored, who shot at Conductor Will White on a Rowlandtown car, waived examination and furnished a cash bond of \$200 for his appearance in circuit court.

Robert Lee Hawkins, charged with obtaining money by false pretenses, was granted a continuance.

Other cases: Will Schroeder, nuisance, held until January 15; Tom Lynch, drunkenness, \$1 and costs and suspended if he leaves the city; Walter Barnhill, colored, flourishing a pistol, left open; Albert McReynolds, colored, striking his wife, continued.

NEW PATTERN RIFLE.

German Army to Have Weapon Which Reloads by Recoil.

Erfurt, Germany, Dec. 28.—The government small arms factory here has been ordered to work over time. It is reported that the government has decided to rearm the infantry with a new model rifle, probably one of the several patterns which have long been under consideration, and which reload by the recoil, thus eliminating reloading by hand, and correspondingly increasing the rapidity of fire.

TO EMPEROR'S FOURTH SON.

Princess Alexandra Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein Betrothed.

Berlin, Dec. 28.—Princess Alexandra Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderburg-Glücksburg, has been betrothed to Prince Augustus William, fourth son of Emperor William.

Princess Alexandra is the second daughter of Duke Frederick of Schleswig-Holstein-Sonderburg-Glücksburg. She was born in April, 1877. Prince Augustus was born January 26, 1877.

FOUR YEARS IN PEN.

Teller Anderson Pleads Guilty of Embezzling \$9,000.

Kansas City, Dec. 28.—William C. Anderson, former assistant paying teller of the First National bank of this city, pleaded guilty today to embezzling \$9,000 of the bank's funds and was sentenced to four years in the penitentiary.

Edward Thompson Dead.

Baltimore, Dec. 28.—Edward M. Thompson, Sr., president of the Maryland National bank, and senior member of the firm of Edward K. Thompson & Sons, bankers and brokers, of this city, died suddenly today of acute indigestion. He was about 50 years of age.

Will Interview Berger.

Goshen, Ind., Dec. 28.—Prosecutor Fletcher, of Bedford, was here to talk with Frank Berger, the confessed slayer of Sarah Schaefer. Fletcher believes there is something in the confession.

JEWELERS ARE TAKING CLOCK SIGNS DOWN ON BROADWAY TODAY

No longer will pedestrians on Broadway looking up behold great clocks and watches suspended overhead with their hands pointing stolidly to the hour of the death of a great man. Jewelers today are taking down the signs, because every sort of swinging or projecting sign, except the electric sign erected under direction of the board of public works, must be removed before January 1. Warrants will be taken out for the belated ones on that date.

COULDN'T REFUSE

BRYAN AGAIN READY TO SACRIFICE HIMSELF.

Fires Burn Steadily on Altar of His Patriotism and It's Up to the Party.

Topeka, Kas., Dec. 28.—In an interview here today William J. Bryan practically admitted he would be a candidate for the presidential nomination before the next Democratic national convention.

"While I have not yet announced I would be a candidate," said Bryan. "I have not stated I would not be a candidate and do not intend to. Such a high honor as a presidential nomination is something no American citizen should decline."

PALATE GONE

TIN HORN PUNCTURES ROOF OF BOY'S MOUTH.

Val Forrest, Son of Henry Forrest, Falls and Sustains Serious Injury.

Only the fortunate position of a horn which little Val Forrest, four years old, was blowing saved him from probable fatal injury, but he is suffering the loss of his soft palate as a result of an accident in which the toy horn took a prominent part.

The little fellow is the son of Mr. Henry Forrest, of the O'Brien addition. He had a small tin horn in his mouth yesterday afternoon running about the house. He stumbled and fell. The mouth piece was sharp and cut the roof of his mouth.

NEEDS NEW FLOOR.

Heavy Aerial Truck Sinks in at the Fire Station.

A matter the upcoming general council will be asked to consider is the floor in the No. 1 fire station. It is absolutely necessary.

The heavy aerial ladder truck is causing the trouble. The brick floor where the truck stands has been worn and sunken in until it is a hard matter to get the truck started out of the building. Brick will not be substantial enough material and it has been suggested that either concrete or bitulithic compound be used.

Hengelmueller's Recall.

Washington, Dec. 28.—It is believed here that Baron Hengelmueller, the Austrian ambassador, will present his letters of recall not later than May. He has been severely attacked by Austrian papers because of lack of force in aiding his countrymen.

Ready to Enforce New Law.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Commissioner Yerkes today organized a new section of his office to enforce the denaturalized alcohol law. Ten men from various parts of the country were sworn in to take charge of the work.

WEATHER—Unsettled with occasional rain tonight and probably Saturday. Colder west portion tonight. The highest temperature reached yesterday was 51 and the lowest today was 46.

FAVORS VIADUCT ON TENNESSEE ST.

Mayor May Mention in His Message—Select Police and Firemen

Lower Board of General Council Will Consider Amended License Ordinance.

REPORT ON LIGHTING PLANT

A viaduct over the Illinois Central tracks on Tennessee street, is one of the recommendations Mayor Yelser probably will make to the general council in his annual message next month. There is a large district west of the Illinois Central tracks that has but two outlets, over Broadway and Tennessee streets. The streets are ten blocks apart, and when residents of that section go by way of Tennessee street they incur great danger, as the tracks are a block apart and horses are easily frightened by trains backing over the street.

Council Meets Tonight.

Mayor Yelser has called the lower board of the general council to meet tonight in special session to concur in the action of the board of aldermen, amending the license ordinance, reducing the licenses of brewery agents and druggists selling liquors.

Police Commissioners.

Police and firemen are interested in the brief meeting of the board of police and fire commissioners scheduled for tonight, when the thirty patrolmen and police officers and firemen will be appointed. Few changes are anticipated, other than to increase the police force. It is said Frank Smedley, formerly market master will be taken care of, and there may be some shifting in the detective force and at the police station.

Lighting Plant Report.

In accordance with instructions of the general council J. O. Keebler, superintendent of the city lighting plant, and John W. Holmes, expert employed by the general council, are inspecting the bills of the General Electric company, from which the new equipment of the municipal plant was purchased, and making a thorough test of the apparatus. This will be completed Monday, when a report will be ready for the boards.

Thanks Bernheim Bros.

Mayor Yelser today wrote a letter to Messrs. L. W. and B. Bernheim of Louisville, thanking them for their donation of 1,000 bushels of coal for the city poor.

BURTON BUSY.

Working Upon Revised Rivers and Harbors Appropriation Bill.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 28.—Chairman Burton, of the rivers and harbors committee, is working night and day on the big appropriation bill which is to be reported immediately after the holidays. A full meeting of the committee is expected on Dec. 31, when the entire bill will be gone over by the committee. The meeting will be for revision and correction of any items that need it.

WEDDING BELLS, BUT NO GROOM

Bridal Party Waits in Vain for Man and Kidnaping Is Feared.

Indianapolis, Dec. 28.—Henry Elliott, of this city, who was to have been married last night to Miss Grace Moorman, of Irvington, failed to appear, and it is feared by his friends that he has been kidnaped. The wedding party assembled, and Miss Moorman and the clergyman waited for the bridegroom until hope of his coming was abandoned. Miss Moorman collapsed and is seriously ill.

LANDRUM MAY RUN.

Expected to Announce Commission.

George W. Landrum, of this city, is expected to announce soon his candidacy for commissioner in opposition to McD. Ferguson.